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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

RE: The Vast Majority of the U.S. Population - Including the Disabled Cannot Afford Unfair,  
Monopolistic Price Hikes and Removal of Unbundled (Cheaper) Options

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In any moment of decision,  
the best thing you can do is the right thing,  
the next best thing is the wrong thing,  
and the worst thing you can do is nothing.

~ Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States

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Dear FCC,

The opening quotation's last line of doing nothing refers to the FCC caving to the pressures of corporate interests over the needs of the people. I am only one example of the harm that such inaction or lack of concern would impact.

I am a 63 y.o. person with a life-long disability and the only income I have had for the past 25 years is only on a fixed Social Security and SSI disability (USD \$930/month). There are MILLIONS of people like me with wide variations of having below-U.S. poverty line incomes.

Allowing monopolistic companies to take away basic, simple, unbundled choices is a form of A.D.A./Americans with Disabilities Act discrimination for those of us who cannot afford the often fine-print, dangerously deceptive bundled and over-priced options.

I have never been able to afford cable TV and have never owned a credit card for I live by "If I can't pay for it now, then I shouldn't get it" sense of fiscal responsibility. Part of this is due to having to learn to manage a very slim income.

So please do the honorable thing:

Put yourselves in the shoes of those like me and millions of others on low income, the "struggling working class", etc. WE are the majority of this country, not the large corporations who seem far too often eye their fattening bottom line above a sense of civic and social duty.

The FCC is a branch of "We The People" government - my government and that of all Americans, including said majority. It is your duty to uphold that sacred trust in protecting us.

I do not say this as some corporation-bashing statement, there is nothing wrong profit - it's how we are the strongest economy in the world.

But not when it ignores and discards the day to day realities of most of Americans that do not not enjoy their advantages, it amounts to socioeconomic discrimination. Poverty or just-getting-by is punished.

That is NOT the true American Way or "Do the right thing."

So please act in accordance with what is honorable and fair to most, not the very few. Be noble and true to that American way.

Do the right thing.

Sincerely,

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